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Atsushi SATO, et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: 2829
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For: INSPECTION JIG FOR RADIO)	
FREQUENCY DEVICE, AND CONTACT)	Mail Stop Issue Fee
PROBE INCORPORATED IN THE JIG)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(i), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO Form 1449. In the alternative, Applicants request that this Information Disclosure Statement at least be placed in the application file.

The documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 were cited in a European Search Report issued by the European Patent Office on December 2, 2004, in a counterpart European patent application. A copy of the European Search Report and the non-US patent references are attached for the Examiner's consideration. Document JP 2001-099889-A cited in the European

Search Report is not submitted herewith because it was previously made of record in the present application.

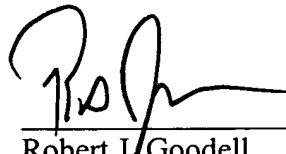
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EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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